



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Application No. : 09/902,970
Applicant : Ruud Egas
Title : "Sleeve with Guidance Ring"
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Examiner : Robert R. Reavis

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AMENDMENT

Sir:

In response to the and the Advisory Action of December 15th 2003 and the Office Action of September 15th, 2003, indicated as being final, Applicant submits a petition for a one month extension of time to reply and appropriate fees and applicant requests that the following amendments be entered in the above-identified application:

Amendments to the Claims are reflected in the **Listing of Claims**, which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks/Argument begin on page 3 of this paper.